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1. FOLLOWING STATUS REPORT ON LIMA CONFERENCE WAS PROVIDED TO EMBOFF BY KOREAN FOREIGN MINISTRY UN OFFICE DIRECTOR YI SI-YONG (ALL TIMES LIMA TIME):

2 FOREIGN MINISTER'S MEETING OF COORDINATING BUREAU MET 1130-1300 MONDAY, AUGUST 25. NORTH KOREAN APPLICATION, HAVING BEEN RECOMMENDED BY HAVANA CONFERENCE, WAS REFERRED TO FOREIGN MINISTER'S CONFERENCE. THERE WERE DIFFERING VIEWS ON SOUTH KOREAN APPLICATION AND NO CONSENSUS. SOUTH KOREA'S APPLICATION WAS ALSO REFERRED TO THE FOREIGN MINISTERS' CONFERENCE. FOUR FOREIGN MINISTERS, FROM LIBERIA, MALAYSIA, SENEGAL, AND KUWAIT, SPOKE IN FAVOR OF THE SOUTH KOREAN APPLICATION.

3. THE SOUTH KOREANS APPARENTLY BENEFITTED FROM THE ABSENCE OF THE ALGERIAN FOREIGN MINISTER, WHOSE PLANE CAME IN LATE. HE ARRIVED IN LIMA AT NOON ON THE 25TH. IN HIS ABSENCE, THE PERUVIAN VICE FOREIGN MINISTER PRESIDED.

4. A FOREIGN MINISTERS' CLOSED MEETING WAS HELD AT 1530 ON THE 25TH. IT LASTED 30 MINUTES AND REFERRED ADMISSION QUESTIONS TO THE PLENARY MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS SCHEDULED FOR 1830 AUGUST 25. THE ROK DELEGATION EXPECTS THE ADMISSION QUESTION TO BE DISCUSSED AFTER THE OPENING CEREMONY.

5. ON AUGUST 24 THE FOREIGN MINISTERS' COORDINATING BUREAU DISCUSSED THE ADMISSION OF GUESTS AND DECIDED ON EIGHT: AUSTRALIA, AUSTRIA, COSTA RICA, FINLAND, HONDURAS, PORTUGAL, ROMANIA AND SWEDEN. NORTH KOREA'S SUPPORTERS ASKED FOR SEPARATE APPROVAL OF THE DPRK APPLICATION BECAUSE OF THE HAVANA CONFERENCE AS APPROVAL. INDIA AND GUYANA OPPOSED THIS MOVE, ARGUING THAT THE LIMA CONFERENCE SHOULD DISCUSS ONLY CRITERIA AND PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION AND DEFER DECISION ON ADMISSION TO SUMMIT CONFERENCE IN COLOMBO. LIBERIA AND PERU FAVORED REFERRING THE QUESTION TO THE PLENARY MEETING RATHER THAN HANDLING IT IN THE COORDINATING BUREAU.

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6. ROK FOREIGN MINISTRY UNDERSTANDS INDIA AND GUYANA ARE WORKING BEHIND THE SCENES TO DEFER FINAL DECISION TO THE SUMMIT CONFERENCE, DECIDING ONLY CRITERIA AND PROCEDURE FOR MEMBERSHIP AT LIMA. ROK DELEGATION IN LIMA IS SUPPORTING THIS MOVE.
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